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CAMPAIGN FINANCE DIVISION

☒ **WAIVER REQUEST**

☐ **RECONSIDERATION REQUEST**

DATE: 2/25/2021

DOCKET #:

FILER INFORMATION

Name: Jeff Oglesbee

Office: District Judge, 21st Judicial District Court, Division K

Parish: LIVINGSTON, ST. HELENA, TANGIPAHOA

Election Date: 11/3/2020

Level of Office: Major

REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: 90-P

Original Due Date: 8/5/2020

Date Filed: 8/11/2020

Activity Receipts: \$-0

Expenditures: \$-0

Funds at Close of Reporting Period: \$-0

LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$600

Days Late: 6

Late Fee Order Received: 9/30/2020

Payment/Waiver Request Due Date: 10/20/2020

Waiver Request Received: 10/14/2020

Additional Information Requested:

- Medical
- Financial
- Other

COMMENTS: Jeff Oglesbee request a waiver and states the following: Prior to his qualifying for reelection, he contacted the Board of Ethics to inquire if he would need to file any campaign finance disclosure report if he was unopposed and his only expenditure was the qualifying fee. He was informed that he would need to file at least one report following qualification. When qualifying, he was provided a campaign finance disclosure packet which indicated that he was a district level candidate. Based upon that information and his prior conversation with the Board of Ethics, he erroneously concluded that he needed to file a 30-P report. Once he received the indication that the 90-P report was overdue, he contacted the Board of Ethics to inquire about the report and was advised that he needed to immediately file the 90-P report.

OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

Campaign Finance:

Other Outstanding Reports: No

Other Outstanding Late Fees: No

Prior Late Fees: Yes

Reassessed Late Fees: No

Disclosure Statements:

Other Outstanding Late Fees: No

Prior Late Fees: No

October 14, 2020

Louisiana Board of Ethics
PO Box 4368
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821
(225) 381-7271

RE: Jeff Oglesbee
Late fee assessment for the November 3, 2020 Election
90-P Campaign Finance Disclosure Report filed 6 days late

To Whom It May Concern:

I am in receipt of a late fee assessment letter dated September 25, 2020 which was received via certified mail on September 30, 2020. The letter indicated that pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1505.4 and La. R.S. 18:1511.4.1, I have been assessed a late fee of \$600 for failure to timely file my 90-P Campaign Finance Disclosure Report.

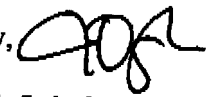
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In light of the fact that I was unopposed and received the incorrect packet upon qualifying, I am requesting the Board of Ethics consider a waiver or reduction in the late fee assessed for my failure to timely file my 90-P report.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Should you require any additional information please feel free to contact me at (985) 687-5333.

Sincerely,


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CERTIFIED MAIL

NO. 70191640000203574731

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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You have 20 days from receipt of this letter to dispute this assessment. You may elect to do either or both of the following:

1. You may submit your request for a waiver to the attention of the Louisiana Board of Ethics.

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You should be aware that unpaid campaign finance fines, fees or penalties may have an adverse effect on your ability to run for public office in the future, as the Board of Ethics will object to your future qualifications for candidacy for public office pursuant to La. R.S. 18:491 and R.S. 18:492.

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LATE FEE ASSESSMENT ORDER

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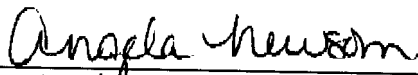
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WHEREAS, La. R.S. 18:1505.4A(2)(a)(i) provides that an automatic late fee of \$100 per day (not to exceed \$2,500) be assessed against Jeff Oglesbee for this late filing.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED that a late fee of \$600 is assessed against Jeff Oglesbee for failure to timely file his campaign finance disclosure report.

ORDER signed on the 25th day of September 2020 at Baton Rouge, Louisiana.



Angela Newsom, Director
Campaign Finance & Lobbying Division



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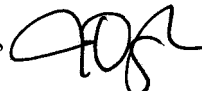
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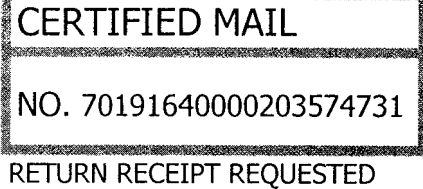
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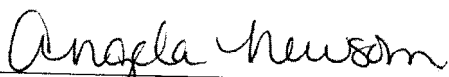
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